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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: US, IS, XG, EEC

SUBJECT: EC-9 DECLARATION ON MIDEAST

1. ON JUNE 18 HANAN BAR-ON, ISRAELI MINISTER, CALLED TO  
EXPRESS HIS GOVERNMENT'S GRAVE CONCERN ABOUT THE STATEMENT

ON THE MIDDLE EAST WHICH THE EC-9 PROPOSED TO ISSUE IN  
THE NEXT FEW DAYS. HE CONVEYED ISRAELI  
REQUEST THAT WE  
TAKE ACTION WITH THE UK PRESIDENT OF THE EC-9 TO PREVENT  
ISSUANCE OF THE STATEMENT ON THE FOLLOWING GROUNDS:

IT WOULD BE VERY UNBALANCED AND PRO

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-- IT WOULD HARDEN ARAB POSITIONS;

-- IT WOULD SERVE TO "COMPLICATE" BEGIN VISIT TO WASHINGTON.

(IT SEEMS CLEAR THAT BAR-ON HAD COPY OF PROPOSED TEXT  
ALTHOUGH THIS WAS NOT ALLUDED TO IN CONVERSATION

2. WE TOLD FOLLOWING TO BAR-ON TODAY

-- WE MADE A MAJOR AND SUCCESSFUL EFFORT TO PROVENT THE  
ISSUANCE OF A MIDDLE EAST STATEMENT BY THE EC-9 IN  
FEBRUARY.

-- WE HAVE DISCUSSED WITH THE BRITISH, AS PRESIDENT, THE  
QUESTION OF THE NINE ISSUING A STATEMENT AT THIS TIME,  
AND IT IS CLEAR TO US THAT THEY ARE DETERMINED TO GO  
AHEAD. THERE IS NO WAY TO PREVENT IT THIS TIME AROUND.

-- WE HAVE STRESSED TO THE EUROPEANS THE NEED FOR BALANCE  
IF THEY FEEL THEY MUST ISSUE A STATEMENT.

3. WE HAVE ALSO TOLD BRITISH THAT IF ASKED BY PRESS TO  
COMMENT ON THE DOCUMENT WE WOULD PROBABLY HAVE TO INDICATE  
WHERE WE MAY HAVE A DIFFERENCE OF VIEW OR NUANCE. WE  
WERE PREPARED TO TELL ISRAELIS THIS IF PRESSED ON HOW  
WE MIGHT BE PREPARED TO RESPOND TO PRESS INQUIRIES.  
SUBJECT DID NOT COME UP IN OUR CONVERSATION WITH BAR-ON.

4. BAR-ON MADE CLEAR THAT GOI WOULD BE VERY UNHAPPY  
THAT USG OBVIOUSLY DID NOT OPPOSE THIS MORE VIGOROUSLY.  
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